

GLHS PTSA REFLECTIONS ARTS PROGRAM 2024-25



*The **National PTA Reflections Program** encourages the students to unleash their creative talents and be inspired. This competition provides an opportunity to the participants to tap into their critical thinking and express themselves through any of the six categories with their original work of art inspired by the annual theme.*

*This year's theme is - **“ACCEPTING IMPERFECTIONS”***

Students may choose one or all of the available art categories:

- [Dance Choreography](#)
- [Film Production](#)
- [Literature](#)
- [Music Composition](#)
- [Photography](#)
- [Visual Arts \(2D and 3D\)](#)

School Grade Divisions:

- *High School (Grade 9-12)*
- [Special Artist/ Accessible Arts \(All Grades\)](#)

For more details and [guidelines](#) please visit [Wake County](#) and [North Carolina](#) PTA Websites. Please make sure you follow all the rules and presentation guidelines to avoid disqualification.

IMPORTANT GUIDELINES TO PARTICIPATE IN REFLECTIONS COMPETITION AS PER NATIONAL PTA

Students may enter as many pieces as they would like, in one or all art categories.

Submit a Student Participation Form for EVERY piece submitted, for judging. Please make sure to read the General Participation Rules and the Art Specific Rules.

Please fill out this [intent form](#). This will help us determine how many judges are required based on the number of interests.



Please read the following instructions carefully before you fill out the [GLHS Student Participation Form online](#).

***Step 1:** Please make sure you are signed into parent's personal gmail or are using parent's email (**no work emails, or student school emails please**) when completing this form. Parent & Student need to complete the form together (including uploading artwork).*

***Step 2:** Before submitting, right click and print the first page. Please have the Parent/Guardian print and sign this page.*

***Step 3:** Turn a scanned copy of the parent-signed page & your digital artwork into your Reflections Chair's email glhs.ptsa.reflections@gmail.com*

(REQUIRED: Parent Signatures are needed for acceptance of submission).

*This link is ONLY valid for Green Level High School. Please do not use this link to submit artwork for any other schools. Also, **no outside forms will be accepted from Green Level High School students.***

*All the artwork must be submitted by **October 11th, 2024 by 11:59 pm***

*****No entries will be accepted after this date.*****

Questions?? email : glhs.ptsa.reflections@gmail.com

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REFLECTIONS



Reflections has been around since 1969. This competition encourages students to themselves through artistic exploration by providing positive recognition for their artistic efforts. Each year a new theme is presented as a focus for student entries. The theme contest is separate and runs two years ahead of the program. Students interested in submitting ideas for the annual Theme contest submit those directly to the National PTA.

This year's theme is: "Accepting Imperfection"



1987-88 Call for Entries poster



1979-80 Theme "Behind the Gates of Tomorrow" winners from the National PTA Archives

It is open-ended purposefully to encourage students to respond in any way they choose. The program is broken into six (6) different categories for artistic expression.

Along with their creation, students need to include a Title and Artist's Statement, connecting their work to the theme. The Artist's Statement may only be up to 100 words, but it is a vital piece of the program. Judges consider the Artist Statement for 40% of their overall rating. Students should keep in mind that it isn't just their creation, but this statement connecting the creation to the theme that is important.

Snapshot of each category:

- **Dance Choreography:**
 - A video of the student dancing related to the year's theme
- **Film Production:**
 - I have seen everything from original animated sketches to someone interview a cat to explanations involving LEGOs. This category is wide-open for interpretation, and with all the social media consumed and created these days could be an easy challenge to take on.
- **Literature:**
 - Short stories, poem, essays, comic books, etc. If you can write it in words, you can create a literature piece.
- **Music Composition:**
 - Original composition - instrumental or song. Performance recorded either by audio or video and shared. High School students are required to submit sheet music and/or lyrics as applicable. Middle School students encouraged but not required. Quick note: Please don't just sing a song karaoke style. These will be disqualified.
- **Photography:**
 - Digital or film. Your story (artist's statement) will make or break these entries.
- **Visual Arts:**
 - Any medium works including digital art! Paint, sketch, draw, doodle, collage, decoupage, or create a mixed-media masterpiece! 2D requires one digital picture for the entry and 3D requires three (3) digital pictures of the entry.
- **Special Artist:** Create art in any of the above categories but submit under Special Artist if you would like. To qualify, student must have an IEP or 504. No additional information is needed to qualify.



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Thanks to all our participants of 2024-25

“Accepting Imperfection”

Participants:

Kavin Yellanki

Saavi Yellanki

Jenny Yue

Shashank Gilla

MehreenQuazi

Esha Penmatsa

Shreya Dhakal

Sophie Tan

Eesha Vinod

Petra Morris

Aditya Bharti

Parth Singh

Krish Attaluri

Aadhya Mittapalli

Advaita Mamillapalli

Tanmayi Panasa

Giridharan Anantharaman

Navaneeth Saravanaperumal

Congratulations to the winners

Wake county Winners

Green Level High

- *Runner Up: Parth Singh (9th Grade) - Literature - "Embracing the Fractured Light"*
- *Runner Up: Aadhya Mittapalli (12th Grade) - Music Composition - "Sovereign Echoes"*
- *Honorable Mention: Giridharan Anantharaman (10th Grade) - Music Composition - "Flawsome Journey"*

- *Runner Up: Esha Penmatsa (10th Grade) - Photography - "Flowing Through the Imperfections"*
- *Runner Up: Aditya Bharti (11th Grade) - Visual Arts - "My Perfect Imperfections"*
- *Winner [Accessible Arts]: Kavin Yellanki (12th Grade) - Visual Arts - "Flawed Yet Flourishing: Learning with a Unique Mind"*
- *Winner [Accessible Arts]: Kavin Yellanki (12th Grade) - Visual Arts - "The Apple of Discord: Nature's Struggle"*

NC State Winners

(to be announced...)

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Thanks to all our Reflections participants of 2023-24 -

“I am hopeful because....”

Participants:

Kavin Yellanki

Jenny Yue

Esha Penmatsa

Rushil Saggi

Seojin Lee

Alysa Harney

Aditya Bharti

Shashank Gilla

Eesha Vinod

Congratulations to Winners:

Wake County Winners-

Literature

- *1st Place: Jenn Yue, 9th Grade, Green Level High School - The Gleam of Light Over the Horizon*

Photography

- *Honorable Mention: Eesha Vinod, 9th Grade, Green Level High School - Yellow and Youthful*

Special Artists - Visual Arts:

- *Kavin Yellanki, 11th Grade, Green Level High School - Tortoise of longevity*
- *Kavin Yellanki, 11th Grade, Green Level High School - The all-seeing eye*
- *Alysa Harney, 9th Grade, Green Level High School - New Place, New Inspiration*

(FIRST PLACE WINNERS AND ALL SPECIAL ARTISTS ARE MOVED TO STATE LEVEL)

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NC State Winners-

SPECIAL ARTIST WINNERS

Outstanding Interpretation:

- ***Kavin Yellanki, Green Level High, Cary***

Literature

High (9th-12th) :1st Place- Jenn Yue, Green Level High, Apex

[FIRST PLACE STATE LEVEL WINNERS (including 1st place winner of special artist division) ARE MOVED TO NATIONAL LEVEL]
